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Permanent Closure of Camp Kenyon Scudder

Built in 1948, Camp Kenyon Scudder, located in the City of Santa Clarita, has served as a juvenile detention facility. The camp has been closed since 2019; however, it has required a financial investment from the County to ensure structural integrity.

The feasibility study conducted by the JJRBG Sub-Committee, as directed by the Board in July, determined Camp Scudder to be non-feasible to serve as a Secure Youth Track Facility. The feasibility study currently underway, as directed by the Board on March 15, was strictly to consist of three facilities, Dorothy Kirby Center, Campus Kilpatrick, and Camp Scott.

Based on the above as well as the Board's vision to reduce the footprint of youth carceral facilities and Youth Justice Reimagined, it is prudent to permanently close Camp Scudder and reallocate its vital resources to fill the funding gaps necessary throughout the other youth facilities.

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I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors direct the Probation Department to report back to the Board in 30 days on the necessary steps to permanently close Camp Kenyon Scudder.

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